

REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-36, 39-50, and 52-66 are pending in the application. Claims 7-12, 22, 25, 36, 39-50, and 52-66 are allowed. Claims 1, 4-6, 13-21, 23, 24, and 26-35 stand rejected. Claims 48, 52, 54, and 60-65 are amended herein. Claim 7 is hereby canceled. Claims 2, 3, 37, 38, 51, and 67-69 were previously canceled. No new matter has been added. The Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the following remarks and allowance of the claims.

The Applicant acknowledges with appreciation that claims 7-12, 22, 25, 36, 39-50, and 52-66 are allowed.

Claims 1, 4, 6, 15-21, 23, 24, 26-28, and 30-35 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,097,966 to Hanley. The Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection for at least the following reasons.

Claim 1 has been amended to include limitations of allowed claims 11 and 12 that the Applicant believes are allowable over the art of record. Specifically, Hanley does not disclose receiving data in a premises communication from a premises equipment and processing a first portion of the data for transmission in the second wireless communication and processing a second portion of the data for transmission in the second wireline communication, as recited by claim 1. In other words, claim 1 recites that the premises data is processed into two portions where one portion is transferred via the wireless antenna and the other is transferred via the wireline communication port. Instead, mobility node 101 in Hanley receives communications from a LEC then transfers them to a mobile device via a base station and vice versa (see Hanley, Fig. 6, col. 3 and 4). Mobility node 101 does not process a single set of data received data into two portions where one portion is transferred via the base station and the other is transferred via the LEC. In fact, Hanley does not discuss data communications at all. Thus, Hanley does not disclose receiving data in a premises communication from a premises equipment and processing a first portion of the data for transmission in the second wireless communication and processing a second portion of the data for transmission in the second wireline communication, as recited by claim 1.

Furthermore, mobility node 101 does not comprise an antenna for transmitting wireline communications, as recited by claim 1. Mobility node sends communications to

a base station for transmittal to a wireless device (see Hanley, Fig. 1, col. 3, lines 50-61). It is the base station, which contains an antenna (see id.). The base station is separate from mobility node 101 (see id.). The fact that mobility node 101 can transfer RF signals to the base station (see col. 5, lines 36-41) is irrelevant because signals in the RF band can be transferred over wire as well as wireless. The figures and disclosure of Hanley do nothing to suggest that the base station and mobility node 101 are connected by anything other than a wireline. Therefore, Hanley fails to disclose mobility node 101 including an antenna for transmitting wireline communications, as recited by claim 1.

Independent claim 27 has been amended to include similar limitations as claim 1. Therefore, claim 27 is also allowable over the art of record for the same reasons set forth for claim 1.

The Applicant refrains from a discussion of the remaining dependent claims in view of their dependence from otherwise allowable independent claims.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above remarks, the Applicant submits that the claims are allowable. Additional reasons in support of patentability exist, but such reasons are omitted in the interests of clarity and brevity. The Applicant thus respectfully requests allowance of the claims.

The Applicant believes no fees are due with respect to this filing. However, should the Office determine fees are necessary, the Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 21-0765 accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

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